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## Gov. Peabody Signs Tax Relief Bill



State Representatives George W. Porter, of Agawam, and Saul Simons, of Springfield, watch Governor Peabody sign into law the bill providing tax relief for elderly home-owners.

The new tax-relief law, sponsored by Representative Porter, exempts from taxation \$4000 of the assessed valuation of the homes of persons over seventy who have lived in the state ten years, owned the property five years and whose annual income from all sources is less than \$4000 if single or \$5000 if married. The act will apply to next year's taxes and details will be available in the assessor's office next summer.

This new tax law, which is

## 33 AHS Students Members of NHS

Agawam High School has 33 National Honor Society members this year. Qualifications are a 85 average for three years of high school and must be an excellent school citizen. Members are as follows:

Shelley Allen, Tami Astifan, Louise Cannarella, Richard Chandler, Margaret Chicklas, Joanne Cimaroni, Nancy Cirillo, Norma Cirillo, Susan Colli, Marsha Della-Giustina, Elizabeth Donovan, Catherine Ferrarini, Arthur Foley, Jessie Hare, Donald Headley, Mary Kelley, Gail Lawson, Drinda Lund, Howard Mosher, Carl Novak, Francis O'Leary, Robert Oppenheimer, Dianne Orsi, Pamela Penney, Karen Ratcliffe, Janice Rebecchi, Patricia Repinec, JoAnn Rossi, Pamela Saitto, Joyce Sarat, Martha Sharritt, Roger Tyler and Sharon Veneklasen.

## F. Hills Post Office Christmas Schedule

All patrons of Feeding Hills Post Office are reminded that window service for the sale of stamps and the acceptance of parcel post will be provided according to the following schedule:

Saturday, Dec. 14 and 21—8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 15 and 22—10 a.m.-12 noon and 2 p.m.-5 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 16 and 23—8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and 6 p.m.-8 p.m.  
Tuesday through Friday, Dec. 17-20—8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

Chapter 808 of the Acts of 1963, will enable many of our senior citizens to continue living in the homes to which they have long been accustomed but which they would otherwise be forced to sell. Steadily rising taxes and living

costs have made their fixed incomes increasingly inadequate and have created a condition, often involving actual distress, which should be adequately recognized when they are taxed for the support of government.

## 'Do It Now' Mail Early For Christmas

The Postmaster states that the present flow of Christmas cards is running about the same as last year, but the mailing of Christmas gifts is lagging somewhat. She suggests that all gift parcels

## Catholic Women's Yule Party Dec. 16

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold its monthly meeting Monday evening, Dec. 16 in St. John's Hall. At 8:30 Rev. John P. Shannon, Spiritual Advisor, will open with a prayer and President Mrs. Francis Capitanio will preside at the business meeting.

The annual Christmas Party will then start with members receiving gifts from Santa Claus and Mrs. John Shea, program chairman will present the Western Mass. Electric Chorus.

This chorus is made up of 22 employees of the electric utility with Lee S. Crabtree of Springfield as Director. They present a dozen concerts each year throughout Western Massachusetts at the invitation of various churches and organizations. They have a varied collection of novelty numbers, show tunes, hymns, carols, and other types of music. Walter Jones of Longmeadow is business manager for the chorus and Mrs. Violet Stittler of Westfield is secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. John Polopek is in charge of hospitality and refreshments will be served following the entertainment.

Members please remember to bring their favorite recipe for the cookbook to be compiled by the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam.

to most distant points be sent by Air Mail from now on.

Speaking about Christmas packages, the Postmaster said, "I cannot emphasize too strongly the vital need for packing and wrapping your Christmas gifts securely. Pack all your gifts in sturdy cartons, wrap them with heavy paper, and tie them securely with strong cord. It is sometimes hard to understand why people will be so careless about putting valuable Christmas gifts into the mails in flimsy boxes and loosely wrapped packages. Many of these poorly wrapped gifts simply cannot stand the necessary handling, and thus cause much delay and disappointment all around."

The Postmaster further suggests that it is best to print the recipient's full name, street address, city, zone or ZIP Code number and state on all mailing labels, making sure to include an extra label inside your gift packages.

"All local mail in town should be addressed as Agawam, Mass., (Continued on Page 6)

## Grange #382 Yule Party Tuesday

Community Grange 382 will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 17 at 8 p.m., at the Grange Hall, North West St., Feeding Hills. After a short business session the annual Christmas Party will be held. Members are reminded to bring a 50 cent gift for exchange.

Special entertainment will be given by the Agawam Golden Age Choral group. There will also be a Candlelight service on the Ten Commandments of Christmas.

## Senator Hammond Files Bill Broadens 'Good Samaritan' Law

This state's "Good Samaritan" law — which exempts physicians from civil liability arising out of emergency treatment — would be further broadened under a bill that has been filed in the Massachusetts Legislature by Senator

George D. Hammond of Westfield.

"At the present time," Senator Hammond explained, "a physician is protected against civil liability only when he gives emergency care or treatment at the scene of an automobile accident."

The Hammond measure would, on the other hand, extend the exemption to any emergency situation that might result in personal injuries, such as a skiing accident, a beach mishap, a football injury, or a fall.

"This is an area that requires legislative attention," the Hampden-Berkshire Senator said.

"There have been many instances in the past when physicians who acted sincerely and generously in the administration of emergency medical attention have found themselves the object of major civil actions.

"This has resulted in a natural hesitancy on the part of physicians to give emergency care. They are bound by their profession." (Continued on Page 3)

## Vorperians Farewell Reception Dec. 20

A farewell reception is being planned for Mr. and Mrs. Zaven K. Vorperian on December 20 at the Capt. Charles Leonard House according to announcements by officials of the Agawam Community YMCA.

Mr. Vorperian has been General Secretary of the Agawam Community YMCA since November of 1957 and on January 1, 1964, will assume new duties with the State YMCA of New Hampshire.

Mrs. Vorperian has been active in Agawam as co-director of the Little Yankee Kindergarten and was formally Girls Work Secretary at the West Springfield YMCA.

The reception at the Leonard House will be from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and will be an opportunity for friends of the Vorperians to wish them well on their new position in New Hampshire.

Chairman of the committee planning the reception is Mrs. Marcia Paine, assisted by Mrs. Marjorie Greenough and Mrs. Ann Hall. The public is invited to attend.

## Promoted



SGT. WILLIAM BAUMANN

William Baumann has recently been promoted to Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. He completed four years of service in September and at that time re-enlisted for another six years.

In October of this year he was one of a few chosen and recommended for an electronic course of study in Marine Aviation in Millington, Tenn., where he will be stationed for almost a year.

Sgt. Baumann graduated from Agawam High School in class of '59. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Baumann of North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, and is married to the former Rosalie Nelson of Westfield.

## Atty. Marshall Joins Father's Law Staff

Attorney David M. Marshall, a native of Springfield, has returned home to practice law and has joined the staff of his father, Attorney Arthur M. Marshall, of 145 State Street, Springfield.

Mr. Marshall graduated magna cum laude from Classical High School in 1951 and while there won the annual Senate Tablet Debate. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree cum laude in 1955 from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, where he majored in government.

Mr. Marshall entered the Harvard Law School in the fall of 1955. His legal studies were interrupted by a 3½ year tour of duty as a Naval Reserve Officer during which time he served as a member of the staff of Commander Carrier Division Six aboard the USS Saratoga. He then returned to the Harvard Law School and, upon graduation in 1962, served for one year as a Law Clerk to the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and more particularly to Mr. Justice Williams and Mr. Justice Reardon.

As an associate of his father, who is widely known for his work in the fields of corporate, labor and transportation law, Mr. Marshall intends to pursue the general practice of law.

Mr. Marshall and his wife, the former Dolores M. Wozniak of Willimansett, are presently building a home at 26 Joseph Street, Agawam, where they will live with their three-month-old son, Bryan Jay.

## Center Post Office Holiday Hours

Beginning Dec. 14 service windows at the Agawam Center Post Office will be open: 14, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; 15, Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon and 2 to 5 p.m.; 16 to 20, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; 21, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; 22, Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon and 2 to 5 p.m.; 23, Monday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; 24, Tuesday, regular hours. All local mail in town should be addressed as MASS., 01001, and not CITY or TOWN.



# CHURCH NEWS

**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart, Pastor*  
*Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary*  
*Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist-Choir Director*  
 Thursday—6:30 p.m. Choralist Choir rehearse at church. 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.  
 Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m. Two Morning Worship Services . . . Rev. Lockhart will preach both services; Celestial Choir sing first service and Senior Choir sing second service; 9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School for all; 6 p.m. Senior BYF meet at church; 6 p.m. Junior BYF meet at church.  
 Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Club meet for Smorgasbord supper and Christmas meeting. Mr. and Mrs. A. Stanley Edwards are chairmen for the evening; 7 p.m. Celestial Choir rehearse at church.  
 Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. . . Trading Post open; 3 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church; 7 p.m. ABC Bell Ringers rehearse at church.

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**CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
*Floyd C. Bryan, Minister*  
*Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint, Minister of Music*  
 Friday—7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Merriweds Square Dance.  
 Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:45 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.  
 Sunday—9 a.m. Church School Nursery—Grade 6; 10 a.m. Church School Grades 7-12; 10 a.m. Adult Bible Discussion; 11 a.m. Church School Nursery—Grade 6; 9 and 11 a.m. The Church at Morning Worship; 6 p.m. Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting; 7 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting.  
 Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Church Council; 6:30 p.m. Senior High Choir rehearsal.  
 Thursday—12 noon Ladies Aid luncheon. . . Christmas Program.

**ST. DAVID'S CHURCH**  
*Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar*  
 Friday—8 p.m. Junior Choir at the church; 7 p.m. Basketball teams practice.  
 Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Morning Worship; 7 p.m. Youth Fellowship meeting.  
 Monday—3:15 p.m. Junior Girl Scout troop meeting.  
 Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Adult choir at the church.

**FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
*Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney*  
*Mrs. Fred Nardi, Sr. Organist*  
*Mrs. D. Myer, Jr. Choir Director*  
 Thursday—7 p.m. Choir rehearsal.  
 Saturday—9:30 a.m. Junior

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*Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Guest Minister*  
*Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary*  
*Mrs. John MacPherson, Music Directors*  
 Thursday—7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at home of Mrs. Harry Prior, 19 North West St., Feeding Hills.  
 Saturday—2 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Party at Storowton.  
 Sunday—11 a.m. Services at the Storowton Church at Eastern States Exposition grounds.  
 Sunday School classes in session . . . Nursery for very small children.

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## F. HILLS CHURCH PLAN CHRISTMAS FAMILY PROGRAM

The annual Christmas Family Program at Feeding Hills Congregational Church will be held Sunday at 6 p.m. in the social hall of the church.  
 The program will begin with the trimming of the Christmas Tree with white styrofoam Christian Symbols. The children will explain the meaning of these symbols and each child will decorate the tree with a symbol. These symbols were cut from styrofoam by the children at workshops held during the past several weeks. The leaders in charge of the workshops were Mrs. Leslie Bates, Mrs. Earl Cesan, Mrs. William Ekstedt and Perry McCobb, with Mrs. Andrew Raguskus handling enlarging the symbols.  
 A Nativity Scene will be on display made by children in Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, Kindergarten and Nursery.

The children will also display the gifts they have made for the children of the Monson State Hospital and then place them under the tree. The Cherub and Junior Choirs, under the direction of Mrs. David Meyer, will sing several selections during the program and the families will all join in caroling. A film strip entitled "Christmas in the Family" will conclude the program.  
 Following the program, refreshments will be served. The committee in charge of refreshments: Mrs. Edward Burgamaster, Mrs. Arthur Breuninger and Robert Rawson, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Perry McCobb.

Choir rehearsal; 10:30 a.m. Cherub Choir rehearsal.  
 Sunday—9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 11 a.m. Worship Service.

**LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH**  
*Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister*  
*Mrs. H. Binns, Organist*  
*Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director*  
*Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director*  
 Friday—6:15 p.m. Bowling teams at West Side.  
 Saturday—10 a.m. Junior Choir practice at home of Mrs. Ashton; 6:30 p.m. Covered Dish Supper for members and friends.  
 Sunday—9:30 a.m. First Worship Service and Sunday School in session; 11 a.m. Second Worship Service; 6:30 p.m. Senior MYF meeting.  
 Monday—3 p.m. Junior MYF meeting; 8 p.m. Official Board meeting at parsonage.  
 Wednesday—7 p.m. Senior Choir practice at home of Mrs. Binns; 8:15 p.m. Bible Study at home of Mrs. Binns.

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## My Beat — A.H.S. by Marsha Della-Giustina

Agawam High's annual operetta this year will be "Belis Are Ringing." Mr. Darcy Davis, head of the music department, and Miss Joyce Marieb, AHS Speech teacher, will direct the show.  
 The play, which has been presented on Broadway and in the movies, deals with a telephone answering service called Susan-answer-phone. Ella Peterson, an operator, falls in love with Jeff Moss, a young writer whom she has never met, except over the telephone. Jeff thinks Ella is an elderly lady, so he nicknames her "Ma." To add to play, Sue, Ella's cousin, allows her boy friend, a bookie, to set up an office as a gambling center which the police are trying to break. The humorous incidents and witty dialogue make this play a must to see!

**Model Congress**  
 Already the members of the Model Congress are gathering information to aid them next spring when American International College will once again sponsor the mock Congress. The two-day

### Beekeepers Yule Party Dec. 21

The Hampden County Beekeepers will hold its Christmas party at the home of the President, Elsie Johnson, 206 Meadowbrook Road, East Longmeadow, on Dec. 21 at 7 p.m.  
 After a business meeting, a smorgasbord will be served. Carols and holiday music will entertain the families. Each adult is to bring a gift to exchange and parents are responsible for their own children's presents.

The Federal Bureau of Engraving burns some \$20 million of worn out currency in one day. . .

Whist Parties are held each Wednesday and Saturday night at 8:00 P.M. at the YWCA on Howard Street, Springfield. High and low score prizes and door prizes will be awarded.



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event consists of attending committee meetings, lobbying, and actually conducting a session of Congress. The busy week-end is climaxed by a banquet Saturday night for the "Senators" and "Representatives." New York and the five New England states are represented by high school students at Model Congress.  
 Coming events: Everyone at AHS would like to send sincere Get-well messages to Gary Hodge, a senior, who is recuperating from an operation. Get well son, Garfield! . . . Kid Party will be held on December 21! . . . Christmas parties are being held by various clubs! . . . Let's all go out and support our basketball and hockey teams!

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# Safety Council Urges Parents To Select Playthings With Care

At Christmas, many of us who give toys to children get carried away by our own likes and dislikes, and sometimes get gifts which are dangerous to children. As a guide to those who will be helping Santa with gifts for children, the Safety Council of Western Massachusetts has prepared the following suggestions and hints.

The right toy for the right age used in the right places helps keep children happy, occupied and safe. Toddlers will play with anything — from rattles to rifles, from dolls to dynamite. And don't underestimate an older youngster's judgement, either.

Eye toys critically before you buy. Avoid anything with sharp edges, points, small parts that can be pulled off and swallowed. Buy toys that a child is mentally and physically equipped to handle. The toy manufacturers can do only so much to protect children; the rest is up to YOU.

Wise selection is not enough. Some parental teaching or supervision is a second important step. An air rifle, archery set, dart game, sharp knife or chemistry set may become dangerous in the hands of a child too young to understand the hazards involved. Even older children should have adult supervision with play equipment of this type.

Choose toys which are suitable

to the strength of the child. A toy which is too heavy for a youngster to handle easily may be the cause of an accident to that child.

For small children, select washable playthings colored with non-poisonous dye or paint. Lead paint with other poisonous ingredients may cause serious illness or death. See that playthings are sturdy and well made. Cheaply constructed or breakable toys will come apart or be broken under strenuous child play, leaving jagged edges which may cause cuts and infection.

Electrical toys of any type are unsafe for very young children. For older ones, select only those which bear the seal of approval of the Underwriters' Laboratories. Remind children never to play with electrical equipment with wet hands or damp clothing.

Toys requiring alcohol, kerosene or gasoline to generate power are especially dangerous — they may upset and set fire to children's clothing or to the house itself.

Avoid toys or articles of play clothing which are highly flammable. Celluloid articles are easily ignited. So are many brushed and napped fabrics.

Toys should stir the imagination, encourage creative ability, and train the child for better living. Most toys serve their purpose in a child's growth and are abandoned, but some toys have a long-span appeal. Blocks, dolls and doll equipment, tools, musical instruments, arts and crafts, skates and bicycles usually continue to hold interest all through childhood. Play is a child's world and entertainment, but it also serves to stimulate the growth of his physical, mental and social abilities. For this reason, a careful selection of playthings is an important part of parental responsibility.

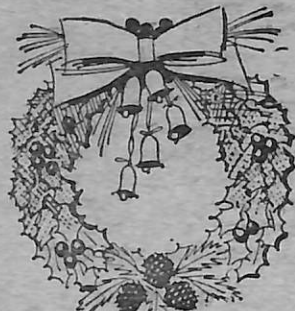
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Thank you,  
Mrs. Kathleen Meredith  
Mrs. Margaret K. Henault

## Twins Christmas Party Saturday

On Saturday, December 14 the Hampden County Mother of Twins will hold its annual Christmas Party at the Polish American Home on the corner of Chestnut and Franklin Streets in Springfield from 2 until 5 p.m. The party is for the twins and Santa will be on hand to distribute gifts. Mrs. Harvey Vigneault and Mrs. Christopher Gallagher are co-chairmen.

Mrs. William Rand is entertainment chairman and has obtained a variety of entertainers including an accordion duet by Dorothy and Doloras Karas; a Waltz Clog Dance Trio consisting of Leanne Ha, Ann Wilson and Barbara Rand; Yvette, Yvonne, Denise and Diane Worneau will make up a vocal quartet and Jamie Herlihy will do vocal entertaining.

Mrs. Thomas Smethurst is refreshment chairman. The committee will be assisted by Mrs. Jeremiah Foley, Mrs. John Fecowicz, Mrs. Edward Foster, Mrs. Bernard Brodeur and Mrs. Franklin Breveglieri.

Reservations or cancellations should be made with Mrs. James DeMecurio, 11 Mercury Court, West Springfield before Dec. 10.

## Senator Hammond . . .

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sion to give aid but at the same time must take into account the impact of civil actions on their professional and personal lives.

"The bill I have proposed would remove any obstacle to the quick attention that might be provided at an accident scene."

Senator Hammond noted that "Good Samaritan" laws were passed by 14 states during 1963, and a proposal of this nature is pending in Delaware.

George D. Hammond, Senator Hampden-Berkshire District

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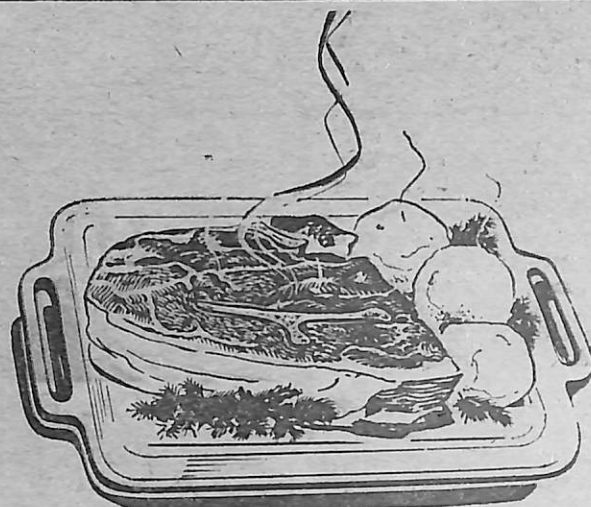
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## Uncle Button

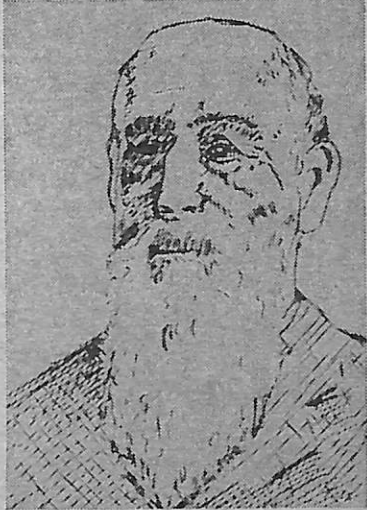
By Edith LaFrancis

When Lombard Button died in 1901 he was the last survivor of those who petitioned that Agawam be a separate town in 1855. He had been a resident here since he was ten.

His grandfather, Elijah Button, was an early settler of Hampden. A brother of Elijah, Asa Button, came to Agawam at about the same time and lived in a farmhouse on Main St., opposite Cooper St., owning also what was later the Smith, Hill and Caldon property, as well as a large part of the meadows, the Button and Laviolette farms.

Asa's daughter married Elder Jesse Whitman and her father gave to her the property which was later bought by Elijah's son, Laban who was the father of Lombard. Asa's son, Joseph, owned land in the area of South Park Terrace and on Shoemaker Lane.

The home Laban bought in 1836, the Whitman place, was a gambrel-roofed house about a mile below Agawam Center. Lombard grew up there and at 21 left to work in Warehouse Point. He returned because of the illness of his father and left again in 1856 to live in Granville. There he married Mrs. Maria L. Stocking Rogers in 1857. Later for a time he worked in the Springfield Armory.



In 1864 he enlisted in 30th Co. Unattached Heavy Artillery which was stationed on Arlington Heights as defense of Washington. While in camp, he asked permission for his wife to visit him that she might see some of the sights in the city. She came—but spent most of her time in the Army kitchen cooking and supervising culinary activity, much to the delight of the soldiers.

The Buttons had no children but had adopted a nephew, Charles Barden, who was then about ten years old. Mrs. Button remained in camp and Charles came to stay also. Lombard Button was never in battle and was mustered out at the end of the war.

In 1868 he returned to Agawam to care for his parents, his father being nearly blind.

Besides running his farm, Lombard worked for the town on road repairs. He helped the neighboring farmers with the task of butchering. He also acted as funeral director and undertaker before it became customary to hire a director from the city.

Besides the care of his parents he boarded a cousin who was a great care for many years. Several young people found this place a home also.

Mr. Button was of kindly nature with a keen humor and sense of hospitality which made his home a pleasant place.

A few years after the death of his wife, he moved into the home of Charles Barden, a new house built on Button land just north of the old one. Often during his declining years he was seen sitting under the trees on the sloping lawn, still interested in seeing what went on in the town where he had been a resident for 75 years.

## SOCIAL SECURITY

Questions and Answers

Q. May I apply for social security benefits before I retire?

A. Most certainly you may, and you should. Anytime within 3 months of your expected retirement day, you may complete your application. When you do you will be told what records you will need, such as proof of your age or marriage, and you can get these records with plenty of time to spare. This way your retirement checks will start on time.

Q. Why should I check with the Social Security Administration at least 3 months before I retire?

A. To avoid any delay in your retirement checks once your regular income has stopped. You may never have had a birth certificate and you will have to be able to prove your age by some other means when you apply for social security. You may also need your marriage record, or proof of your earnings for last year. If you "inquire before you retire," all this can be taken care of well ahead of time and your retirement checks will not be delayed.

Q. I retired some few months ago and had planned to start my social security checks then, but I found my birth was never recorded. Since I have no older relatives who could vouch for my age, what should I do?

A. You should have gotten in touch with the Social Security Administration sooner, at least 3 months before the day you planned to retire. That would have given them plenty of time to help you find other records that would prove your correct date of birth. Every day the Social Security Administration helps hundreds of people prove when they were born, and has a list of types of evidence that may be acceptable. Had you called sooner, you could have started your retirement by now. As they tell everyone, you should "inquire before you retire." Don't delay any longer.

## Waste Collections

### ROUTE 5

Friday, Dec. 13 — Alexander Ave., Barry, Belmont Ave., Bristol Dr., Carol Ave., Churchill Ave., Hamilton Dr., New York Ave., North St. Ext., North West, North Westfield, Overlook Dr., Parkview Dr., Pine, Richmond Ave., Roosevelt Ave., South West, South Westfield, Southwick, Sunset Ter. and Thalia Drive.

### ROUTE 6

Monday, Dec. 16—Adams, Cosgrove, DePalma, Doane Ave., Edgewater Rd., Franklin St. Ext., Garden, Memorial Dr., Mountainview, Oxford, Phil, Poplar, Porter Dr., Ridge Ave., Shoemaker Ln., Silver, Silver Lake Dr., South, Suffield and Vadais St.

### ROUTE 7

Tuesday, Dec. 17—Althea Dr., Anthony, Belle, Centre, Clematis Dr., Colonial Ave., Cooper, Elsie, Fairview, Federal Ave., Federal, Federal St. Ext., Harvey Johnson Dr., Karen Dr., Ley, Poinsetta, Potomac Pl., Prine Ln., Reed, Samuel, Senator Ave., Stanley Pl., Valentine, Valentine St. Ext., Vernon, Virginia, Washington, Westford Cir. and Woodside Dr.

### ROUTE 8

Wednesday, Dec. 18—Birchill, Rd., Carr Ave., Elm, Emerson, Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawa Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mardale Ave., Nile Ave., Parker, Perry Ln., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., South Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe Ave. and Wright St.

### ROUTE 9

Thursday, Dec. 19 — Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Edith Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow, Meadow Ave., Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymore Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.



December 16

through

December 20

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, whole kernel corn, peanut butter honey sandwich, peach shortcake w/whipped cream, milk.

Tuesday: Roast turkey in gravy, mashed potato, buttered peas, whole cranberry sauce, bread/butter, jello w/whipped cream, milk.

Wednesday: Homemade baked beans, frankfurts on roll, cabbage-carrot salad, peanut butter honey sandwich, frosted cherry pie, milk.

Thursday: Meat ball grinders, garden salad, peanut butter marshmallow sandwich, chocolate cake w/butter icing, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna salad roll, macaroni salad, buttered green beans, peanut butter honey sandwich, ice cream cup, Christmas cookies, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes), pickles, potato chips, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, spaghetti, cabbage-carrot salad, peach shortcake, bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger on roll, green beans, peanut butter sandwiches, pineapple chunks, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey in gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, milk.

Friday: Cod fish cakes, homemade baked beans, brownie bread, ABC salad, bread/butter, chocolate pudding, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Blended juice, frankfurts on roll w/relish, mustard, cole slaw w/green peppers, apple cake square, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, beef stew w/vegetables, bread/butter, banana, milk.

Wednesday: Ravioli w/meat, tomato sauce, green beans, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Roast turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, cranberry sauce, bread/butter, ice cream cup, milk.

Friday: Juice, toasted cheese sandwich, tossed salad, potato chips, chocolate cake w/frosting, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Juice, grilled hamburger on buttered roll, relish, mustard, wax beans, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Fried chicken, parsley potato, peas, bread/butter, apricots, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, frankfurts on buttered bun, relish, mustard, potato sticks, corn, cherries, milk.

Thursday: Turkey vegetable soup, turkey sandwich or peanut butter sandwich, orange sections, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, green beans, applesauce cake, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Pizzaburgers, wax beans, carrot sticks, peanut butter sandwich, peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Pork w/brown gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered broccoli, peanut butter jelly sandwich, chocolate cake w/fluffy topping, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, chicken, noodle soup with vegetables, meat salad sandwich-cheese cube, chiffon pumpkin squares, milk.

Thursday: Cranberry juice, turkey pie, celery sticks, buttered peas, bread/butter, ice cream cone, milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni with cheese and tomatoes, buttered carrots, cheese muffins or peanut butter sandwich, fruit jello w/topping, Christmas favor, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Citrus juice, baked macaroni w/hamburger, and tomato sauce, tossed green salad, bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, apple, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup, bologna sandwich, carrot sticks, tangerine, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Thursday: Pork and gravy, mashed potato, buttered cabbage, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Fish sticks, parsley potatoes, cabbage-carrot salad, parsley potatoes, breadbutter, sliced peaches, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Meat ravioli in sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburger in buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered corn, sliced pickles, cheese wedge, blueberry pie, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup with rice (vegetables), celery-carrot sticks, egg or peanut butter sandwiches, apple, cookie, milk.

Thursday: Turkey in gravy, mashed potato, peas/carrots, cranberry-orange relish, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, grilled cheese sandwich, tossed salad w/spinach and tomatoes, potato chips, applesauce cake, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, vegetable beef stew-crackers, peanut butter sandwich, apple, cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Cranberry juice, hot open turkey sandwich w/gravy, glazed sweet potatoes, buttered peas, banana cream pudding w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Blended juice, hot pastromi on buttered bun, cole slaw salad, cranberry apple crunch, milk.

Thursday: Pineapple juice, ham salad roll, potato chips, celery-carrot sticks, spicy applesauce, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, corn chowder w/vegetables, crackers, tuna salad on rye bread, banana, milk.

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The Massachusetts Association, in an unprecedented step, has devoted the cover and opening pages of its annual report to a warning against cigarette smoking.

The report, released today throughout the Commonwealth, was titled "A Message in the Public Interest."

Relegating its annual summary of its year's work to a position of lesser prominence, the MHA launched its report with the following message:

"For the first time, the American Heart Association has gone on record...in favor of active steps to discourage cigarette smoking.

"Its reasons...seem so compelling that the MHA urges you to read these findings and, after thoughtful consideration, to make your personal decision on this vital issue in terms of your own future health and life."

The report points out:

"Population studies have shown that death rates in middle-aged men from heart attacks were from 50 to 150 per cent higher among heavy smokers than among non-smokers."

It cited a resolution of the AHA board of directors which said:

"Although the statistical association between heavy cigarette smoking and increased mortality and morbidity from coronary heart disease does not prove causal relationship, the Board believes there is sufficient evidence of the harmful effects of cigarette smoking to warrant the AHA and its affiliates and chapters joining with other health agencies in educational programs to discourage cigarette smoking by the general public, with special emphasis on teenagers and persons who have high blood pressure, elevated blood cholesterol, signs of arteriosclerosis or a family history of heart attacks or strokes.

"Additionally, the AHA is well aware of the relationship of heavy cigarette smoking to chronic pulmonary disease and cancer of the lung. Since these diseases are major public health problems, the Board believes they provide additional reasons for the above recommendations."

Among MHA-sponsored research projects over the past year was one which indicated a definite relationship between heavy smoking and pulmonary emphysema, a fast-growing and serious disease.

The MHA, additionally, is co-operating with other major health agencies in appraising the possibilities and potential of programs directed against smoking, especially among the young.

More than \$800,000 in AHA and MHA funds have been channeled directly into research in Massachusetts, the report divulged. Periodic reports are made to the public by the MHA of results of its research programs, many of which have ranked high in lifesaving medical-surgical breakthroughs. Nearly 100 projects have been added.



## BIRTHS

### Boys

Nov. 26—To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roy of 52 Ley St., Agawam.

Nov. 27—To Mr. and Mrs. Anthony F. Keating of 29 Giffin St., Feeding Hills.

Nov. 30—To Mr. and Mrs. William G. Pfau of 71 Western Dr., Agawam.

Dec. 1—To Mr. and Mrs. James Morrison of 25 Seymour Ave., Agawam.

Dec. 2—To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald E. Jenks of 520 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

### Girls

Nov. 23—To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Margosiak of 22 Oxford St., Agawam.

Nov. 24—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Noman of 21 Parker St., Agawam.

Nov. 25—To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence K. Macey of 158 Florida Dr., Agawam.

Nov. 27—To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schaedlick of 991 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

Nov. 6—To Mr. and Mrs. Roger F. Kenzior of 177 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

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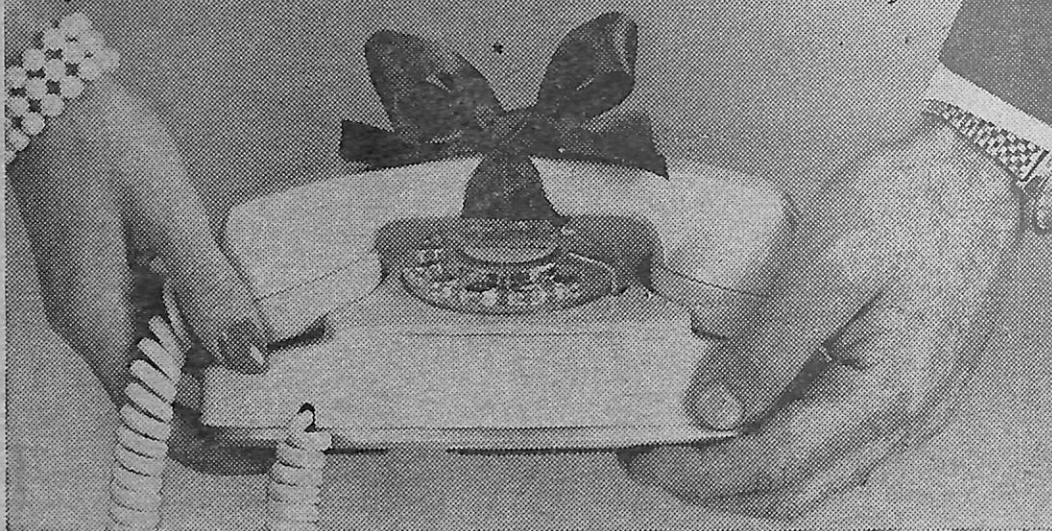
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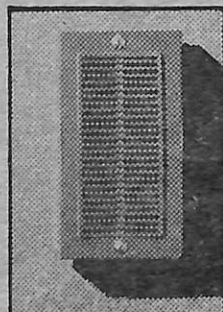
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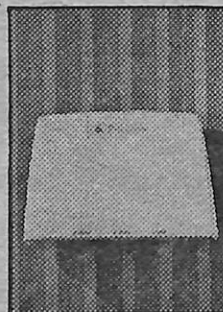
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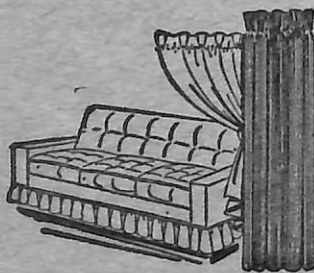
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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The upland season for grouse, pheasants, quail and grey squirrels that came to a temporary close Saturday, Nov. 30th will re-open again on Monday, Dec. 9th and run through Wednesday, Dec. 18, inclusive. This is a special extension of the regular season because of the earlier woods ban. Shooting hours for the extension will be from sunrise to sunset.

The snowshoe hare and cottontail rabbit seasons will constitute to their usual closing dates of Feb. 5 and 28, respectively.

The deer kill in Vermont during the open season as of Nov. 30th stands at 9960. One year ago it was reported as 12,369. The drop in harvest of bucks is down substantially.

The deer kill in New Hampshire shapes up like this: Non-residents 947, Residents, 3411, and resident minors 102 for a total of 4460.

### New Conservation Unit

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts achieved another "first" in the conservation field with the establishment, in July, of the Conservation Services Division within the State Department of

Natural Resources. This new administrative unit is being hailed by many as a significant development, and it may well establish a pattern which will be followed by other states.

### Governor Requested

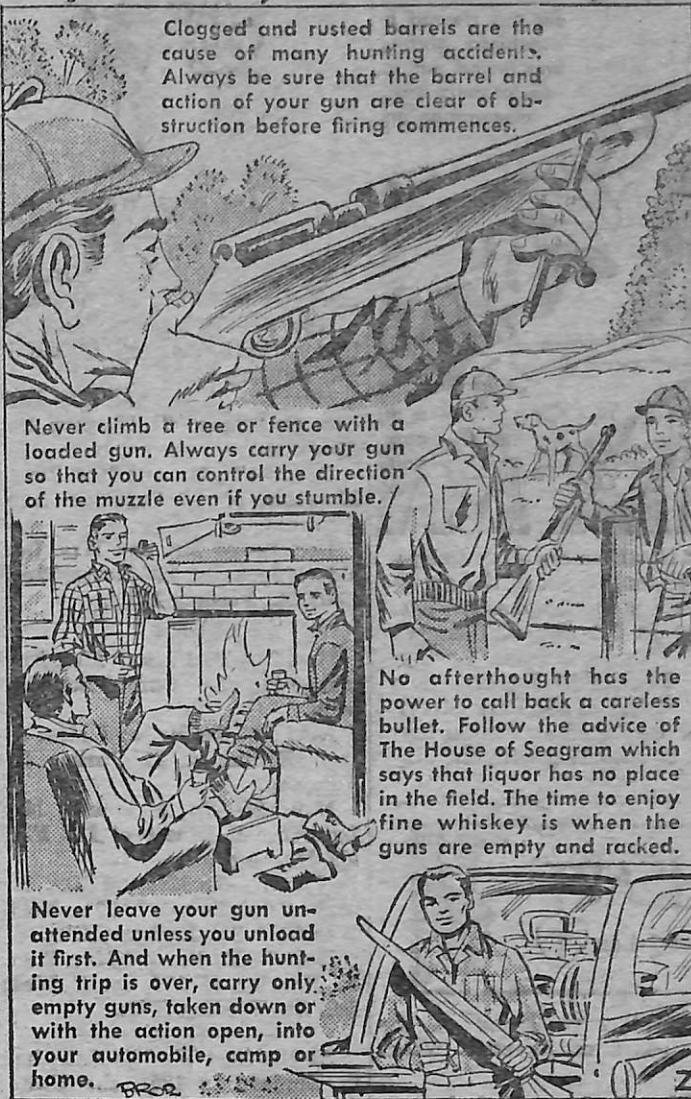
Governor Endicott Peabody, in his message proposing a reorganization of state land use functions, noted the phenomenal success of the Town Conservation Commission movement in Massachusetts. He pointed out that this groundswell interest on the part of individual citizens and towns demanded a new administrative framework for providing technical advice and guidance.

### One Agency

The legislative act establishing the new division places responsibility for the advancement and support of local conservation programs within a single agency. Under this enabling legislation, the Soil and Water Conservation Districts, veterans of many significant conservation accomplishments, have been redesignated as general Conservation Districts. The State Soil Conservation Comm. has been reorganized into a State Comm. for Conservation of Soil, Water, and Related Resources, and has been transferred from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Natural Resources. The State Committee will be an advisory group, representing private and local resource interests, and will have responsibilities for guiding the work of the division in the conservation area.

The new administrative unit provides the Mass. Department of Natural Resources with a mechanism for promoting coordinated regional programs and enlisting the efforts of local areas and private individuals.

## Safe Hunting—It's Up To You



Clogged and rusted barrels are the cause of many hunting accidents. Always be sure that the barrel and action of your gun are clear of obstruction before firing commences.

Never climb a tree or fence with a loaded gun. Always carry your gun so that you can control the direction of the muzzle even if you stumble.

No afterthought has the power to call back a careless bullet. Follow the advice of The House of Seagram which says that liquor has no place in the field. The time to enjoy fine whiskey is when the guns are empty and racked.

Never leave your gun unattended unless you unload it first. And when the hunting trip is over, carry only empty guns, taken down or with the action open, into your automobile, camp or home.

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## TURKEY SHOOT

Another Turkey Shoot was held last Sunday at the Agawam Sportsman Club by the Veterans of World War One. Several lucky Sportsmen were able to carry home a nice turkey for their Christmas Dinner.

Two more of these shoots will be held before Christmas. The next one will be Sunday, Dec. 15th, followed by the Grand Slam shoot which will take place the Sunday before Christmas, Dec. 22.

## Openings Available At 8311th Air Force

The 8311th Air Force Reserve Recovery Group, 430 Main St., Agawam, still has openings available for former service personnel of certain job skills.

The local unit is part of the Air Force's "recovery" program, which calls for trained units to be able to operate alternate landing sites for U. S. Air Force bombers in the event of emergencies. The Agawam Group, commanded by Colonel Donald W. Cadigan, is such an operational unit. It supervises squadrons in Orange, Mass., and Rutland, Vt., where recovery activities are actually performed.

Because of the nature of the units, veterans of many various skills can be used. There are also some openings available for prior service women. Those who qualify will train one weekend each month and two weeks annually at group headquarters. They will be paid according to their grade and time in service for each duty day. While attending the weekend sessions and summer tour, reservists will be assigned to duties within their given career fields.

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Chief Meyers, at the Springfield Navy Recruiting Station, announced today that Navy training schools are now available for qualified high school graduates in over 60 specialized fields. These schools are related to more than 5000 civilian occupations. The Navy will guarantee a service school to all qualified recruits who are high school graduates. Those young men who do not have a high school diploma will be tested at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, and on the basis of their ability, aptitude and the needs of the Navy, will be selected and assigned to a Navy service school. The Navy has long been recognized as having one of the finest training programs available anywhere.

In addition to the service school and "on the job training," the qualified Navy enlisted man has an opportunity to earn credit toward his college education during his off-duty hours through college extension programs. For the young man who desires to compete for a naval officer's commission by attending the naval academy at Annapolis, the Navy has made available 160 appointments to sailors on active duty.

The Navy recruiting station in Springfield will be open every day, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until noon. Young men who enlist in the Navy before Christmas will be allowed to remain at home during the holidays and receive full pay and allowances for that period.

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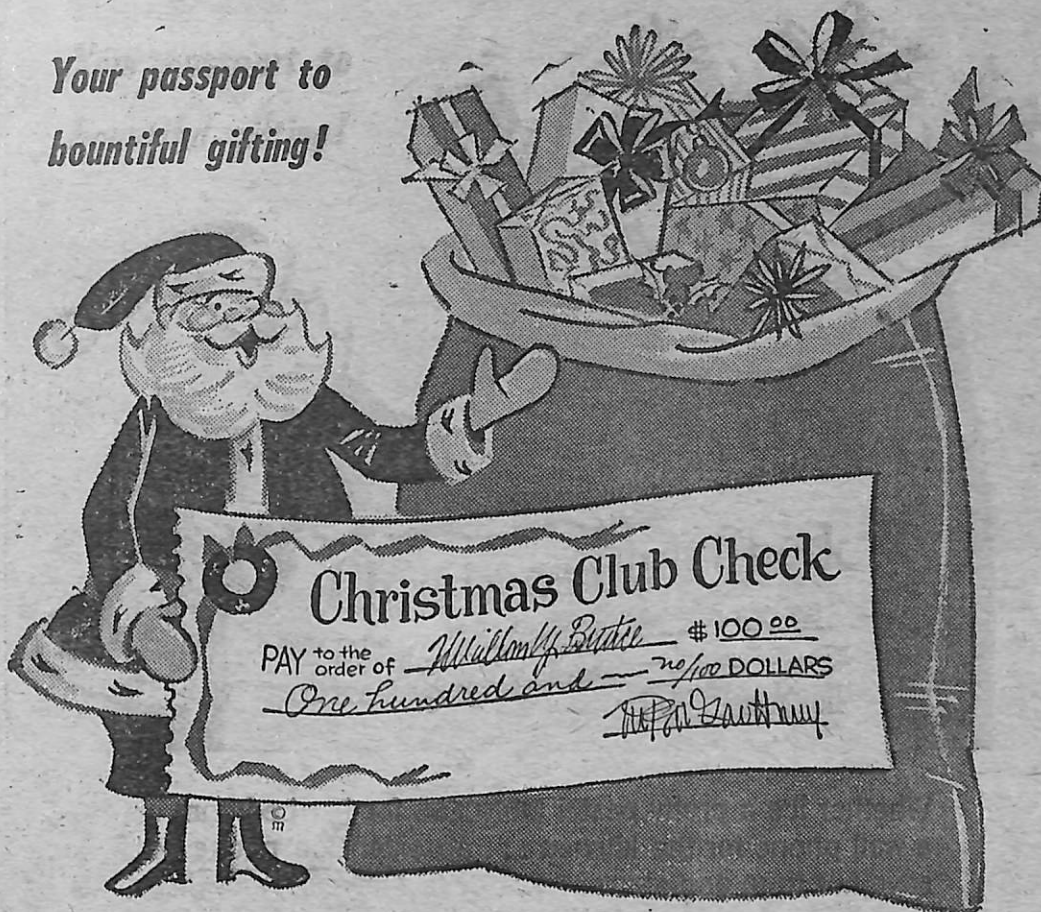
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## LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

### Christmas Gift Shop

Seven Agawam Unit members, including President Jane Whalen and Gift Shop Chairman Anna Bissonnette attended the Christmas Gift Shop at Leeds Hospital on Dec. 4. Mrs. Whalen, Mrs. Bissonnette, and Mrs. Belle Russell, who are qualified volunteers, assisted the men in choosing gifts for the names on the patient's Christmas list. Mrs. Gladys Belcher and Mrs. Constance LaMountain wrote out the colorful name tags. Mrs. Blood and Mrs. Virginia Catchepaugh did the Christmas wrapping. Agawam's group was joined by many others in this rewarding task.

### Juniors and Sons of Legion

With Junior earnings from the Christmas Bazaar, Junior Chairman Constance LaMountain purchased little gifts and candies for a group of Monson Hospital Children. On Saturday, Dec. 7, Junior members, with their chairman, brought these gifts to Monson, and gave a selection of Christmas Carols.

### LEGAL NOTICES

#### NOTICE OF SALE MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Chester Subalski, Sr. and Abina L. Subalski, husband and wife, dated July 1, 1958, and recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, Book 2615, Page 498, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of the said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction at ten o'clock A.M. on Monday, January 6, 1964 on the premises below described, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage, said premises being therein described as follows: "A certain parcel of land with all the buildings and structures now or hereafter standing or placed thereon, situated in Agawam, in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being known and designated as Lot #16 (sixteen) as shown on a plan of lots recorded in the Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 45, Page 42, said lot being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Northeastly by Dover Street, one hundred three (103) feet; Southeastly by Autumn Street, one hundred thirty-two and 22/100 (132.22) feet; Southwestly by Lot #17 (seventeen) as shown on said plan, one hundred twenty-seven and 17/100 (127.17) feet; and Northwestly by Lot #15 (fifteen) as shown on said plan, one hundred thirty (30) feet. Being the same premises conveyed to us by deed of Max Becker dated July 1, 1958, to be recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds herewith. Subject to rights granted the Western Massachusetts Electric Company and the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company under instrument dated November 4, 1954 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 2348, Page 35, including as part of the realty all portable or sectional buildings at any time placed upon said premises and all furnaces, ranges, heaters, plumbing, gas and electric fixtures, screens, mantels, shades, screen doors, storm doors and windows, oil burners, gas or electric refrigerators and all other fixtures of whatever kind and nature at present or hereafter installed in or on the granted premises in any manner which renders such articles usable in connection therewith, so far as the same are, or can be agreement of parties be made, a part of the realty."

The above-described premises will be sold subject to all outstanding tax title, municipal or other public taxes, assessments or liens, if any. Six Hundred Dollars (\$600) will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale as earnest money, the balance in cash upon delivery of the deed, the deed to be taken within seven (7) days of the sale, other terms to be announced at the sale.

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A joint Junior and Sons of the Legion Installation was held at the Legion Hall on Dec. 8. Mr. Harold Bushey is SAL Chairman of Post 185.

### December Smorgasbord

A Joint Smorgasbord for the benefit of the Legion's Child Welfare Fund will be held at the Legion Hall on Saturday, Dec. 14. The public is invited to this affair.

### Joint Christmas Party

Post and Unit 185 will hold a Joint Christmas Party at the Legion Home on Monday, Dec. 16. Members may each bring a guest—the admission is a 75 cent man's gift from each gentleman, or a 75 cent woman's gift from each lady. Chairman Jane Whalen is accepting donations of casserole foods for refreshments.



Saturday, Dec. 14, the Boys and Girls Committee will meet at the parish hall of the Agawam Congregational Church to pack the bags of gifts to be given out to the less fortunate children of Town from lists provided by the School nurse, the Agawam Clearing House, and the Town Nurses.

On the following afternoon Sunday, Dec. 15 from 1:30 until 3:30 the children will be entertained, enjoy refreshments, and bring home a large bag of toys. The Lions will furnish the transportation, and members are urged to offer their help to Chairman Tom O'Connell. Donations of toys and trinkets may be left with Principal Raymond Harris at the Junior High School up until Friday.

On Wednesday, Dec. 18, the Club will have their annual Christmas stag at Tinti's and enjoy their delicious smorgasbord dinner. Members are asked to bring a gift costing not more than \$1.00 to be exchanged, and many door prizes will go to the lucky ones. A minister and a priest will speak on their views of Christmas, and entertainment will conclude the party.

During November the Sight Seal Fund of the Club paid out \$125 for eyeglasses and treatments for needy Agawam people. If you have not as yet sent in your donation for the Sight Seals, would you kindly do so in order that this program may be of continued help to our townspeople?

On this Saturday, Dec. 14, Boy Scout Troop 89, which is sponsored by the Club, will pick up Good Will bags and conduct a paper drive. Every one should help this cause.

The annual Mid-Winter Conference of District 33-Y will be held again this year at Schine Inn on Jan. 18. About 25 Agawam members will attend with the rest of the 38 clubs in the District, which extends from the Connecticut state line to Wilbraham, Williamstown, and Great Barrington.

Amnesia would be welcome to a lot of women who want to forget their ages.

## PROMENADERS



By Norm and Dot Jenks

### A Christmas Party Dance!

The most joyous and exciting season of the year is with us now and the Agawam Promenaders are all ready with a wonderful Christmas Party Square Dance. The holiday scene will be set in the lovely Robinson Park School Hall. You won't want to miss a minute of this delightful evening so be there at 8 p.m., this Friday, Dec. 13th, when the festivities begin.

Bernie and Prudy Cawley are chairmen of this event and they have a few surprises in store for one and all.

The caller, of course, is our own Dick Steele, that jolly gentleman from Lexington. He'll have you swinging around in gay holiday spirits in short order.

### Gifts Galore!

Old Santa's bag is overflowing with gifts which will be given away as door prizes. You may be lucky and go home with one of these gifts tucked under your arm.

Reminder for Promenader Club Members Only

Each person is requested to bring a Christmas gift marked

for a boy or girl and age. These gifts will go to the Agawam Clearing House for distribution to the needy children of Agawam.

### Visited New Class!

We dropped in on the class last week to see how things were going. A more energetic group of new square dancers can't be found anywhere. They will be a welcome addition into the fun and fellowship of western square dancing.

## VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The fifth game of the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held in the National Guard Armory on Maynard Street last Wednesday evening. Door prizes were won by Ida Grant, George Pierce, Bertha Whitman and Walter Haggerty.

Mystery prizes were won by Jessie Tompkins, Frank Scypanski and Ruth Cusson. Gertrude Vaughn was the winner of the Ace prize for the ladies and John Bacon for the men.

The following were the winners for playing: Ladies—1st Ida Gillette, 2nd Ann Hyde, 3rd Florence Steere and consolation, Amelia Meyer; Men—1st Robert Damon, 2nd Chester Gillette, 3rd Fred



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## Ideas for Interiors

by Robert S. Houseman, Decorating Editor, The American Home magazine and California Home magazine.



### How to Start Decorating

The marriage boom is at its peak; retirement homes are growing at a phenomenal rate; every day single people are setting up more and more attractive homes for themselves. Everyone is faced with a decorating job to be done. Whether it's a large or small home, new apartment, or a single room, it often means starting from scratch to decorate your four walls.

At this point, the big question for everyone is, "Where do I start decorating?"

If you are refurbishing a home, replacing a piece or two of furniture, adding new draperies or a new floor covering, there is something to use as a guide for style and color. But, in the case of the empty rooms, there is no clue to the style of furnishings, the color of fabrics and wall coverings, or the placement of furniture. How to decide, how to start decorating!

Starting to decorate begins with you. You and your family are going to move into your home when it is finished, so your personal tastes and requirements are the basis for beginning the decorating whirl. Take a self-given test to determine your fundamental and personal taste pattern, even if you can't narrow it down to the specifics at first. Are you an informal type, an entertaining type, even an egocentric type or a mousey type? Do you love color and hate no color or vice versa? Do you abhor or adore clutter? Be honest, now, or you'll come up with a stage set where you will put on a flop performance. Be honest in the beginning, and the end will be satisfying to the only person who really counts, the person who lives in this home — YOU.

You must have a decorating key

or clue to begin. Browse through wallpaper books, fabric departments, carpet departments and even furniture floors. Chances are that you will suddenly and delightfully fall madly in love — with a wallpaper, a fabric or a piece of furniture. When it happens, you'll know it without question. The fabric will be one that strikes a deep-down emotion, or the wallpaper will recall a marvelous experience, something that you simply can't resist.

Let's presume you've found a beautiful wallpaper, in a pattern that is perfect for your living room. Look deeply into the colors, and they'll give you a big push toward your final decorating scheme. Use the major color for upholstery or slip covers, the next most important color for a single chair or ottoman, the small bright color in the pattern as a perky accent color in the room.

As you coordinate the wall coverings, fabrics and flooring, go cautiously in selecting patterns. An easy rule is to limit your scheme to one floral, one stripe, and one geometric design for a room. Fill in with the solid color of textured fabrics such as linens, homespun and nubby weaves. Distribute color and pattern around the room so that there is a balance of light, dark, dull and bright colors on all sides.

Each selection should be in character with the personality of your furnishings so that your completed room will be just what you want. Whether it's a friendly provincial cottage, sophisticated traditional retreat or lively, colorful contemporary home, it should be the ideal setting for your family's way of life.



### THIS WEEK'S BEST BUYS from MASSACHUSETTS FARMS

Courtesy of Massachusetts Department of Agriculture

Apples — McIntosh, Cortland, Baldwin and Red Delicious in good supply.

Cabbage — Large, firm heads of native green lettuce still in excellent supply; lesser quantities of Chinese, Red and Savoy varieties.

Carrots — Heavy fall harvest still yielding bumper supply of high color full bodied carrots out of storage at low prices. High color and full bodied taste make Massachusetts carrots originated right at Waltham Field Station, tops in the nation.

Mushrooms — Available in quantity, reasonably priced.

Potatoes — Katahdins running well, often available sized uniformly.

Squash, Butternut — One of several popular types originated in Massachusetts, this variety is plentiful and low priced.

Tomatoes, Greenhouse — Vine-ripened, these are the only tomatoes offering a matured, complete, full-bodied taste, unlike artificially ripened tomatoes whose flavor development is interrupted before maturity.

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT — Some years ago at a meeting of the New England Council for Economic Development, the Commit-



### COLLEGE NEWS

#### Marietta College

Niles C. Mortenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Mortenson of 1098 Main St., Agawam, is enrolled in the current semester at Marietta College, Ohio. Niles is a graduate of the Agawam High School.

#### Keuka College

Miss Helen Twarog, daughter of Mrs. Theodore Twarog, of 196 Elm St., Agawam, is one of more than 550 students from Keuka College, Keuka Park, New York, participating in the college's yearly fall Field Period. Miss Twarog left her campus studies Nov. 18 to participate in work and study projects in off-campus study locations in 23 states, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and Washington, D.C. She will resume her classroom work on campus Jan. 6th.

## At Your Service

DAVID C. GALLANO  
Director of Veterans Services



Thousands of veterans each year experience delay in correspondence with the Veterans Ad-

ministration because of failure to identify themselves properly by use of their claim number. With more than 22 million names of veterans in its active files, the VA notes hundreds of instances where names are completely duplicated. The veteran's claim number (often called a C-number) is the only way of assuring speedy, positive identification. In the same way, veterans writing to the VA about GI insurance matters may quickly identify themselves by using their GI insurance policy number. These procedures are overlooked by large numbers of veterans each year, requiring additional correspondence to establish their identity.

tee on Food and Agriculture put on a carrot tasting event. In one place were carrots cut from Mass. bunches and in another were winter garden carrots fresh from warmer climates. The local carrots won the taste test hands down but still a lot of big buyers just wouldn't buy native carrots because they weren't uniformly attractive. Then the Waltham Field Station of the Univ. of Mass. produced a new variety called "Waltham High Color" to meet the demand for looks to meet the demand. Your next bag of carrots will probably have a Massachusetts address on the label.

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